

MINUTES OF THE SECOND ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 2, 1949 IN THE BOTANY HALL, UNIVERSITY OF ALLAHBAD, ALLAHBAD

Nine members and three visitors were present. Dr R. K. Saksena was unanimously voted to the Chair.

1. The minutes of the first annual meeting held on January 2, 1948 at Patna were read and confirmed.

2. The Secretary-Treasurer read the report for 1948 which was unanimously adopted.

3. The ballot papers were opened and the following office bearers were elected for 1949 :

<i>President</i>	..	..	..	S. R. Bose
<i>Vice-President</i>	..	..	..	R. S. Vasudeva
<i>Councillors</i>				
<i>Northern Zone</i>	..	..	..	R. Prasada
<i>Western Zone</i>	..	..	..	M. K. Patel
<i>Mid-Eastern Zone</i>	..	..	..	K. C. Mehta
<i>Eastern Zone</i>	..	..	..	S. Y. Padmanabhan
<i>Central Zone</i>	..	..	..	M. J. Thirumalachar
<i>Southern Zone</i>	..	..	..	K. M. Thomas

5. Dr S. P. Raychaudhuri was elected auditor for 1949.

6. It was resolved to change the current account in the Lloyd's Bank into a Savings Bank Account.

7. The Secretary-Treasurer was authorised to purchase National Cash Savings Certificates for Rs. 5000/-.

8. It was unanimously resolved that a symposium be held annually with the Botanical Section of the Indian Science Congress, Indian Botanical Society and other Societies on some topic of common interest.

9. A resolution proposing a vote of thanks to the retiring Office Bearers was unanimously passed.

10. A vote of thanks to the Chairman of the Meeting was proposed and passed unanimously.

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INDIAN PHYTOPATHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

I am submitting herewith the second annual report (for 1948) of the INDIAN PHYTOPATHOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Up to January 10, 1948, the date line set for joining the Society as Charter Members, 156 had joined the Society. Admissions during the year were 47 bringing the total membership to 203. One person resigned during the year and the name of another who sent his admission fee and subscription for 1947 by Money Order, is still untraceable. His M.O. was received in my absence and the clerk who received it did not note down the name written on the money order form.

The membership now stands at 201, of whom one is a patron, 26 are Life-Members and the rest are Ordinary Members. Of the last mentioned, 34 have yet to pay their 1948 dues. I hope that most of them would pay them along with their 1949 subscriptions.

One of the main objects of the Society is that of publishing its Journal, INDIAN PHYTOPATHOLOGY. Due to difficulties in getting the services of a suitable press, there has been unforeseen delay. I am glad to say that a good press has undertaken to do the work and all the required formalities have been gone through.

The financial position of the Society is at present sound. The year began with a balance of Rs. 5,331-11-0, and collections during the year amounted to Rs. 3,218. A sum of Rs. 496-3-3 was spent during 1948 on postage, printing, stationery, clerical charges, bank's commission, etc. A sum of \$ 37.50 and £1-10-0 is in the course of collection by the bank from the U.S.A. and U.K. respectively, and will be credited to the Society's account. The sum in the bank at present is therefore Rs. 7,943-15-0, and in hand Rs. 53-12-9. It is proposed to purchase National Cash Certificates for the value of Rs. 5,000/- to cover the subscriptions from Patrons and Life-Members and a resolution to that effect is before you on the agenda for your approval.

With the starting of the Journal, the payments to the Press will start and balance will diminish. All the members are therefore requested to persuade their colleagues and students to join the Society. If we have a large membership, it will be possible to increase the issues of INDIAN PHYTOPATHOLOGY to four a year. Members are further urged to see that the Libraries of their Colleges, Institutes or Universities, as the case may be, subscribe to the JOURNAL.

As a result of persistent endeavour, several Mycologists and Pathologists from U.K., U.S.A. and Canada and even Norway, have enrolled as members. This campaign to get more members will be intensified in 1949 by sending them sample copies of the Journal. Members are requested to send the names of their friends and others abroad who may be interested in joining the Society.

During the year under report, Dr R. Prasada gave me unstinted help in connection with the Society's work. I am grateful to him for that and I trust that he and his colleagues at the Indian Agricultural Research Institute will give increased help to make the Society worthy of Indian Mycologists and Pathologists.

The accounts of the Society have not been properly audited but I hope to get a Registered Accountant to audit the accounts both for 1947 and 1948 at no or very little cost. The balance sheet will be presented in Volume II, along with the Society's Annual Report.

B. B. MUNDKUR,  
*Secretary-Treasurer*

R. K. SAKSENA,  
*President*